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August 17, 2000

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application for the Village of West Salem, La Crosse County,
for Authority to Deregulate the Sewer Utility

6430-SA-100

**NOTICE OF PROCEEDING
AND
INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS
AND
TELEPHONIC HEARING**

Telephonic Hearing Date:	Tuesday, September 19, 2000 – 10:00 a.m.
Hearing Locations:	Lake Superior Room – 2nd Floor, Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI West Salem Community Center, 175 South Leonard Street, West Salem, WI 54669-1620

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to consider the application received July 10, 2000, of the Village of West Salem, La Crosse County (applicant), as a combined water and sewer public utility, for authority to deregulate the sewer department under Wis. Stat. § 196.81(1). Applicant's water utility will continue to be regulated by the Commission.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will investigate this matter and hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 19, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. This will be a telephonic hearing conducted from two sites. The applicant will provide a room for customer participation in the West Salem Community Center, 175 South Leonard Street, West Salem, Wisconsin. Customers may call the utility at 608-786-1858 for further details on the location of the hearing room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs. Commission staff will participate from the second location, the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, in the Lake Superior Room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the case coordinator listed below.

The Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be

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assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

Persons who desire to become parties must request party status in writing pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.32(3). A person need not be a party to testify at the hearing. Party status requests shall be made by Tuesday, September 12, 2000, and should be addressed to Jeffry J. Patzke, Administrative Law Judge, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Peter Feneht at (608) 266-5614.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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